

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2005**  
**6:00 P.M.**

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., with Chris Fields, Darrin McGowan, John Byrne, and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Councilman Sheehan entered the meeting after the roll was called. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, Scott Murray, WKWH, and Starr Shuppert, *Rushville Republican*.

**MINUTES \* \* \***

Minutes of the August 16, 2005 meeting were presented for approval. Pavey made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT \* \* \***

Mayor Bridges reported the following:

- There will be a fiber board meeting on September 7 at 4:00 p.m. at the Rush/Shelby board room.
- On Tuesday, August 30, the closing on the Rural Development loan for the sewer project took place. A pre-construction meeting was also held. The closing on the water portion of the project should take place in approximately 30 days.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT \* \* \***

None.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT \* \* \***

None.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS \* \* \***

**Police** – Fudge said Officer Brandon Reynolds is taking training to be the K-9 officer.

He is going over the applications for the communication officer. He is hoping to be ready to hire soon.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS \* \* \***

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Public Hearing Budget 2006** – Bridges opened the meeting for a public hearing on the 2006 budget. He asked for comment from the public. Tom Guevara from Crowe Chizek and Toma Shepherd from Barnes & Thornburg explained how the removal of the inventory tax will affect the City. They explained that when an annexation takes place you are allowed to adjust the levy by approximately 10%. With the adjustment in the levy this will help to neutralize the loss of the inventory tax. The adjustment is only allowed one time and if it is not adjusted at the time of annexation you are not allowed to adjust at a later date. There were no questions or comments from those present. Byrne made a motion to close the public hearing. Fields seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

**Salary Ordinance 2005-15** – Byrne made a motion to approve the Salary Ordinance for 2006 on the second reading. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Elected Officials Salary Ordinance 2005-16** – Sheehan made a motion to approve Elected Officials Salary Ordinance on 1<sup>st</sup> reading. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried. Byrne made a motion to suspend the rules. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried. Sheehan made a motion to approve the salary ordinance on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Annexation Claims** – Byrne made a motion to approve the annexation claims in the amount of \$24,413.00. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Ordinance 2005-14 Truck Parking Fees** – Pavey made a motion to approve the amendment to the truck parking fees to include the fee schedule. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Utility Board Appointment** – Byrne made a motion to re-appoint Butch Singleton to the Utility Board as the Council's appointment. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Tax Increment Replacement** – Fields made a motion to rescind the TIR. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Change Date of Payroll from Tuesday to Wednesday** – The Clerk-Treasurer's office asked permission to change the date of payroll from Tuesday

until Wednesday in order to give them 2 days to prepare the payroll instead of one day. Pavey made a motion to change the payroll day to Wednesday instead of Tuesday. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried. This will begin with the first pay in 2006.

**Project Inspector for Sewer Project** – McGowan made a motion to approve Ed Byrd as the project inspector. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Budget Meeting** – Bridges reminded Council of the special meeting on September 12 at 6:15 to adopt the budget.

**Concert** – There will be a concert at the amphitheater on September 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Hurricane Relief** - the firefighters collected money over the weekend for the hurricane victims. They collected \$16,636.61 and presented it the Red Cross.

**Claims** – McGowan made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no further business to come before Council, Pavey made a motion to adjourn. Sheehan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

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JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER

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BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER